

**TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
MARCH 8, 2007 MINUTES**

The regular meeting of the Burbank Traffic & Transportation Committee was held in the City Council Chambers, 275 E. Olive Avenue, on the above date. Michael Flad, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Members Present: Michael Flad, Chair
Sam Asheghian
Gary Bric
Lt. Armen Dermenjian
Donald Farquhar
Ralph Herman
Brian Malone
David Kriske
Rene Salas
Hank Jannace
Joe Terranova, Vice Chair

Members Absent: Joseph Spaulding, Michael Napolitano

Staff Present: Ken Johnson – Asst Public Works Director, Traffic Engineer
Rabie Rahmani – Principal Traffic Engineer, Public Works
Karen McMurray – Administrative Assistant, Public Works
Terre Hirsch – License and Code Administrator, License and Code
Melissa Blau – Recording Secretary, Public Works

I. FLAG SALUTE

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes from the February 8, 2007 meeting with one abstention. Committee members questioned the accuracy of the motion for Item F on the minutes regarding the word “commercial” in the minutes. Approval of the February 8 minutes is contingent upon verification of stated motion. Upon verification, staff found that all vehicles are restricted from parking on freeway bridges up to four hours.

III. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (Limited to items on the printed agenda or items regarding the business of the Traffic & Transportation Committee)

A. Public

Several homeowners voiced their disapproval for the parking restrictions on Verdugo Avenue. Five applicants for the RV Subcommittee spoke regarding their wish to be chosen as members for the subcommittee. Sylvia and Mark Hysen updated the committee members on the private AIDS Walk that will be held on May 12, 2007 from 8:00am to 10:00am. The AIDS Walk will be affecting the following streets during that time: Riverside Drive, Olive Avenue, Warner Boulevard, Pass Avenue, Keystone Street, and Alameda Avenue.

B. Committee Members/Staff

A request was made by Mike Flad to move Item C under Reports on the agenda, to Item A.

IV. REPORTS

A. Taxi Cab Report– Terre Hirsch

No report.

B. Status of Recreational Vehicle Parking Subcommittee (Malone & Herman) – Ken Johnson

A motion was made by Brian Malone and seconded by Ralph Herman to ask Community Development Department staff to provide a report about code enforcement to the RV Subcommittee for the meeting on Thursday, March 22, 2007 at 6:00pm. The motion was passed unanimously. Discussion included Brian Malone, Terre Hirsch, Ralph Herman, and Ken Johnson.

Gary Bric motioned and Mike Flad seconded, to accept all eleven applicants for the RV subcommittee as members. The motion passed with six for, three against, and one absentee. All who participated in the conversation were: Ken Johnson, David Kriske, Gary Bric, Mike Flad, Brian Malone, Ralph Herman, and Joe Terranova.

C. Removal of parking on Verdugo at Buena Vista St. – Rabie Rahmani

Gary Bric moved and Brian Malone seconded, to direct staff to note and file recommendations to remove parking and to gather more information upon approval of the Mobility Element. The motion was passed unanimously. Discussion included Joe Terranova, Gary Bric, Ralph Herman, Mike Flad, Rabie Rahmani, David Kriske, and Ken Johnson.

D. Update on Tujunga traffic issues (Napolitano & Bric) – Ken Johnson

No discussion at this time.

E. Status of taxicab fare surcharge – Ken Johnson

A motion was made by Don Farquhar and seconded by Brian Malone to accept the proposed changes from staff. Motion passed unanimously.

F. Request for non-emergency ambulance permits for Medi-Star Transport, Inc. – Ken Johnson

Joe Terranova moved and Brian Malone seconded, to have a representative from the Fire Department at the next meeting to add their input. Medi-Star was asked to complete an application, then return with their request. Motion passed unanimously.

V. OTHER BUSINESS:

A. Bicycle detection at traffic signals – Ken Johnson

No discussion at this time.

B. Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices – Gary Bric

No discussion at this time.

VI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- Parking Restrictions at 321 Sunset Boulevard (Bric)
- Discussion of Traffic Calming Devices (Terranova)
- Parking problem on Buena Vista Street north of Alameda Avenue (Bric)

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Thursday, April 12, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Johnson, Traffic Engineer

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